LOCAL MISCELLANY.

OPERATIONS OF THE MANDAMUS. IMPORTANT DECISION FOR NOTARIES—THE REGIS TER COMPELLED TO RECORD A MORTGAGE AS

Chapter 807 of the Laws of New-York, Section 1, was applied for the first time yesterday to the determination of a dispute, in Chambers of the Supreme Court by Judge Davis. Last month Simon Wormsen made an assignment of a mortgage in this county, and it was executed by James M. Bynater, a Kinga County motary, with the usual official acknowledgement, and sent to be registered. The Register, Franz Sigel, refused to register it on the ground that it was not made by a notary of his own county, and that he had not en officially informed by the Clerk of Kings County. The question was at once blought before Judge Davis on an application for a peremptory mandamus to compel the Register to record the assignment, the point being ction of the law referred to, the relator maying taken the prescribed steps. The Section of Chap-

Any notary public appointed for the Counties of Kings.

Queeus, Richmend, Westchester, Rockland, and for the
City and County of New-York, upon filing a certified
copy of his appointment, with his autograph signature,
in the Cicrk's office of any other of said counties, is
bereby authorized to exercise all the functions of his
ciffee in such other of said counties with the same effect
as he new possesses by law in the county for which he
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This act took effect on July 8. The Legislature designed to clothe the notaries of the several counties named, who shall have compiled with its requirements in scatcet to such other counties, with power to exercise in scatcet to such other counties, with power to exercise the respectable designed to relieve them from the necessity of having their official character and signature certified from the county of their appointment by providing that evidence of these facts should be filed with the clerk of the county in which their enlarged functions were exercised. It is to be observed functions were exercised. It is to be observed functions were exercised. It is to be observed that the act relates only to official functions performed only in the county in which he shall have filed the copy of his appelutment and his signature. It does not callarge the effect of acts done in his own county; so that a certificate of the kings County before it can lawfully be recorded by the Kegister of New-York. The new act simply enlarges the notary's powers so as to permit, under the specified circumstances, their exercise in another county. The certificate should indicate where the duty is performed and of what county the officer is notary. Both these things are done by the certificate before me, and it was the duty of the Register to have recorded the assignment; but the question is a new see, and of such importance that he was justified. to have recorded the assignment; but the question is a new ever, and of such importance that he was justified in requiring that it be presented before the courts. The mandamus is granted, without costs.

SUITS AGAINST THE CITY.

An application was made yesterday to Judge Rotanson, in the Court of Common Pieas, on bohalf of Henry Vandewater for a mandamus to compel Controller tireen to pay a claim of \$600, for salary due Louis Bieral, Water-moter Inspector for 1871. The claim was regu which the Controller was a member, and the bill was refused to pur it because he discovered that Bieral had not rendered services during several months cov ered by the claim. The Corporation Counsel also obsed on the ground that the relator had an action at law pending the claim. Judge Robinson overruled the Controller's return, and the point raised by the counsel, hobling that the action of the Board of Audit was in the nature of a judgment, and that it was the duty of the Controller, after the bill had been audited, to pay the amount. He accordingly issued a peremptory man-

The paintings in the Governor's Room at the City Hall, the engines in the Fire Department buildings in Chambers-st, and the faraiture of the Controller's office, were leviced on Tuesday evening and yesterday morning by Mr. Maxwell of the Sheriff's office, for the non-payment by the Controller of \$10,500 channed as salary by Justice Fowler. The Controller has appealed on the ground that Fowler, while Deputy Surrogate, retained \$50,000 of the money belonging to the city, in addition to that to which be was cantiled by law. Later in the day Justice Fowler sale be would have execution levied for \$7,500 additional salary since Dec. 31, 1872.

SHERIFF WILLIAMS'S DEFENSE. A DISTINCT DENIAL OF SUPERVISOR COE'S CHARGES

The serious charges preferred by Sapervisor John Coe of the Thirteenth Ward, Brooklyn, against Sheriff Williams, and published in yesterday's Temune. erested considerable excitement among politicians in that city, and while the friends of the former insist that the charges are true, those of the Sheriff emphatically mesert the faisity of the impulations. Mr. Coe main-lains his ability to prove the charges made by him, but ines to discuss the matter at present. The Sheriff, in response to inquiries, said :

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I deny the charges, both as a whole and in detail. In regard to the first count, that I have charged the county with 6,000 days beard more than was furnished. I say that I is false; not one single farthing has been charged more than I am entitled to. In regard to the second charge, that I sak for 7,000 more days' board than I am entitled to, I make the same answer. The third charge. That commitments are charged for in said bill which are entirely franchient, the prisoners never having been sent to jail, is absolutely false. In answer to the fourth-charge, that there is not one out of every ten prisoners charge, that there is not one out of every ten prisoners that are committed to the county jail who remains in jail for the full term of his sentence, I say that there are a number of prisoners discharged before expiration of sentence by payment of fises, or orders of the court, and in no other way. In all other cases they serve their centence. The fifth charge that money is received at the jail for the liberation of prisoners, for which no return is made to the proper authority, is absolutely false. The sixth charge that commitments being made out by the justices and delivered to the jail are "raised" to represent more days than the prisoners remain in jail or were sentenced as per commitment, is also absolutely size of the crop of 1875 have lowered its quality. There is a general deterioration in all the well-known sorts which do not equal the product of last year, either in size of the crop of 1875 have lowered fast year, either in size of the crop of 1875 have lowered its quality.

The imputations in the seventh charge the Sheriff also east aside, and in regard to the eighth charge, that he had retained moneys received for debtor prisoners, he main-tained that there was no provision in the law requiring him to turn the money over to the county, and that he was ready to make returns whenever called upon by the Board of Supervisors to do so.

THE BROOKLYN SUBURBS. CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THEY MAY FORM PART

OF THE CITY The Commission appointed under an act of the past Legislature to devise a pian for the consolida-tion of Brooklyn and the towns of Kings County and the

division of the united territory, held its fourth session

in the County Court-house yesterday, the Hon. John A. Lott presiding. The following report, in the form of an

Lott presiding. The following report, in the form of an act, was received:

ART. I. On the terms of consolidating the City of Brooklyn and the towns of Kings County into one municipal government, and the division of the territory thereof into wards.

SEC. I. The public property of the present City of Brooklyn, and of each of the county towns, shall be appraised at the present market value; the amount of the debts of each locality being ascertained, the amount of the aspraised value of its public property or other ascets shall be deducted from the amount of the debt, if any there be, of each, and the amount of the debt, if any there be, of each and the amount of the assets shall become a common debt upon the whole city, and the property shall become the commen property of the whole city.

SEC. 2. The phrase "public property," as herein used, shall be understood and construed to refer only to such property as is, under the laws, liable to sale under judyment and execution.

BEC. 3. That in the adjustment of the existing debts and credits of the present divisions of the county, each town and the present City of Brooklyu shall be as between each other liable only for its own indebtedness, and entitled to its own property and taxation to defray the principal and interest of luch existing indebtedness, shall be levied and assessed accordingly; but all the rights, interests, property claims, and demands whatsoever belonging to, or to accrue to the towns and all responsibilities of either the towns or city in favor of third parties shall be assumed by and may be enforced against the City of Brooklyn as proposed to be consolidated.

EXC. 4. Such towns as shall have a balance in their Exc.

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Exc. 4 Such towns as shall have a balance in their favor shall be credited with the same in the tax levy of the ensuing year, and such as have public property in excess of their indeutedness shall be credited in the annual tax levy with the rents or interest accruing from

provided in relation to like improvements in the Present City of Brooklyn. The report was laid on the table and ordered printed. ssion then adjourned for one week,

THE CUBAN LEAGUE.

PROMPT OPENING OF THE CAMPAIGN IN THIS CITY. Last evening the Cuban League of America met at the Fifth Avenue Hotel to organize, and begin thus early the work of patriotism before the holding of the Fall Conventions, in the platforms of which the League is determined, if possible, to secure a clause recognizing Cuben independence, and expressing sympathy with the movement. Beside this main object the members of the League have in view the great importance of securing bearty and efficient cooperation on the part of the various auxiliary bodiesnotably the Caban Junta, which differs from the League in being composed entirely of Cubans, while the latter is affembracing, and the past history of which is a somewhat unpleasant record of jealous rivalry and division among its own members. At the meeting last evening, besides the President, Gen. McMahon, there were Gens. J. J. Bartlett, Kilburn Knex, A. M. C. Smith, A. J. Smith, Gordon Granger, and Alex. Shaler, Mr. Charles Watrons, Col. Macias, formerly Cuban Minister to England; Cols, Gill and Spooner, Dr. Clinton Wagner, John W. Bigelow, P. Gonzales, and many others. The proceedings were very terse, actual business and no speeches being the order, and the meeting adjourned in less than half an hour. Gen. McMahon stated the object of the call, the lamentable ill-success which had attended the efforts of the Executive Committee in Washington, the forlorn promise of aid which Spain held out, with Communists on one hand and

mittee in Washington, the forlorn promise of aid which Spain held out, with Communists on one hand and Carlists on the other, and which might as well be put out of sight; and he concluded by declaring the inevitable necessity of double vigilance, double activity, and double pluck, asking only a fair field and impartial neutrality. The General then submitted his resignation of the office of President, which was accented with regret. The office was on his motion a little later, offered to the Hon. Henry Wilson, not with the expectation that he would accept it, but more as an expression of confidence and respect, and with the hope of obtaining from him at least a sympathetic letter.

The vacancy in the list of Vice-Presidents caused by the death of Horace Greeley was filled, on motion of Col. Macias, by the selection of Charles Watrous, who deprecated his own ability to fill the place of his predecessor, but promised to give both time and energy to the work, and expressed his conviction that success was near at hand. The list of Vice-Presidents, besides Mr. Watrous, now consists of the Hon. C. M. Clay, Gen. Frank P. Blair, Gen. Chas. K. Grabam, Charles A. Dana, and the Governors of all the States. Gen. McMabon, Isaac H. Bailey, and Mr. Watrous were then appointed a Committee of Conference and Organization, and Col. A. J. Smith, Gen. J. J. Bartlett, and Gen. Kilburn Kuox were appointed a Committee to prepare suitable resolutions relative to the death of Horace Greeley. Gen. McMabon was tendered a vote of timnis for his careful supervision and leadership as President, and the meeting adjourned after the appointment of the following new Executive Committee:

Gen. Ambrose E. Burnaide, Gen. Chas. K. Graham, Gen. G. M. Clay, Gen. Alex. Shaler, Col. Ethau Allen, Gen. Gordon Granger, Col. J. M. Maclas, Gen. W. H. Morris, Gen. J. H. Van Alen, the Hon. Dohrlas Taylor, Gen. Joseph J. Bartlett, Gen. E. C. Stedman, Gen. A. M. C. Smith, Major F. M. Bundy, F. W. Bigelow, Dr. Clinton Wagner, the Hon. Chas. Blackie, Daniel R. Lydd

THE PEACH SEASON AT ITS HIGHT. A LIGHT CROP AND POOR PRUIT-THE MARKET

GLUTTED TEMPORARILY. A TRIBUNE reporter made inquiries at the largest commission houses in the fruit business, and was informed that 151 car-loads of peaches were brought to this city, yesterday, 30 coming by the daily steamer from Lowes, Del. Each car contains about 400 crates, though the regular limit for a car-load is 350 crates. The cause of this glut in the market was the fact that Sunday was followed by a rainy day in the peach section. On neither day was there any picking, so that on Tuesday an immense quantity of fruit required immediate gathering and shipment to market to be saved from spoiling. As the largest quantity entering the city on any previous day this season has been only 80 car-loads, it may well be supposed that there was a heavy pressure in the business yesterday. The great number of car-loads arriving at once, and the mellowness of much of the fruit, pushed down prices to the lowest point. The rates ranged from \$1 to \$2 per crate, according to kind and quality, and \$3 was demanded for a few fancy sorts. At those figures the large dealers were eager to work off

There is no expectation that the receipts for any coming day will approach those of yesterday, and by the middle and latter part of next week the shipments will probably be greatly reduced. Housekeepers who have not procured their annual supplies for preserving will do ill to delay much longer. Lower prices than yesterday's are hardly to be looked for this year, though the future supply may be made up of firmer and less perishable fruit. On account of the heavy rains that have followed the long drouth, peaches have matured suddenly, and the season is to be a short one. In a single day last season 240 car-loads reached this city The severe Winter and the cold Spring chilled a large part of the peach section into barrenness, and the long lack of rain afterward caused much of the fruit which had formed to drop from the trees. In Northabundant crop. The same causes which cut down he size of the crop of 1873 have lowered its quality. There is a general deterioration in all the well-known sorts which do not equal the product of last year, either is ze or lusciousness. The diminution of the product has, of course, raised the prices this year, as compared with those of 1872. But the great Angust storm has cut deep into the hopes of great gain entertained by those peach raisers who have well-laten orchards in the middle of the general falling off. Last August in the middle of the general falling off. Last August in the middle of the general falling off. peach raisors who have well-laden orchards in the middle of the peach season the price per crate ranged from 50c. to \$1.50. If the rain had not softened the fruit and prevented picking on Monday, prices tais year would hardly have gone at all below the double of hat year's rates. The great quantities used by the camping establishments, which must be supplied whether the crop is great or small, in some measure relieved the market of the crowding together of the season's business into a short space. Dealers are sending away, this week, a great deal of soft fruit to New-England, up the Hudson, and into the interior of the State, thus also taking off some of the pressure of perishable stock. The softness of this year's peaches and the effect of the storm in producing their speedy decay are shown by the quantities of unhealthy peaches which have been seized by the accuts of the Board of Health within the past week.

The New-York commission houses which are largely interested in the peach trade have encountered formidable opposition this season in the efforts of certain speculators of this city, who are cooperating with Philadelphia and Baltimore houses. The agents of this combination went through the peach section, about six weeks are, and offered to pay peach raisers from \$1 to \$1 25 per crate for their fruit in the orchard, the buyers to make all arrangements and meet all expenses of transportation. Large quantities were sold in this way but it is erate for their fruit in the orchard, the buyers to make all arrangements and meet all expenses of transportation. Large quantities were sold in this way, but it is stated that the raisers who sold through commission houses have made more money than the others. The former have received from \$1 to \$2.50 per crate, less expenses. Steamboat transportation from the peach section to New-York has cost this season on an average from 30 to 40 cents per crate; by rail the price has averaged 50 cents per crate.

THE SEA CLIFF ASSOCIATION'S DEFENSE. Mr. Townsend of Townsend, Dyett & Goldsmith, attorneys for the managers of the Sea Cliff Camp-Meeting Association, in the suit brought against them by Mrs. Elizabeth Langdon (recently reported exclusively in THE TRIBUNA), expresses strong hopes his clients will be able to prove innocence. Their statement is sworn to their innocence. by their President, Mr. Battershall. They admit that they proposed to exchange certain land with the plain-tiff, and that they fixed its value at \$1,400 per acre, which they think a just price; that the agreement annexed to the complaint was presented to the plaintiff, whereupon she demanded that it be canceled; that they presented to the plaintiff a deed of the land at Sea Cliff, and took it back because she would not accept it or perform her share of the agreement, and that they caused the agreeserces of their inductedness shall occurring from a screen of their inductioness shall occurring from the screen of their inductioness shall occurring from the screen of their inductions of the count of their provided for lighting surects and the expense of the provided for lighting surects and the surface of the provided for lighting surects and surface and the provided for lighting surface and the provided for lighting surface and the provided surface and the ment to be recorded, and claimed the property formerly known as Benlah. They deny all knowledge of damage

be decided to hold a meeting to-day, will preside. As-ustant Alderman Simouson is away, but has been tele-graphed for, and is on his way home. The Republican member whom the Democrats claimed to have secured is alleged by his friends to be skill faithful, and even were he to prove recreant to the trust repeated in him the Democrats would still lack one of a majority.

SAD FATE OF TWO JOURNALISTS.

The sad intelligence was received yesterday n Brooklyn of the drowning of George T. Keiller, law reporter of The Union, and George P. Rowe, of The Ismes, while bathing in the surf at Centre Moriehes, Long Island, on Tuesday morning. Both bodies were washed away by the undertow and have not been recovered. As there is no direct telegraphic communieation between the place where the drowning occurred and Brooklyn, or New-York, no details of the occurrence have been received, but it is supposed that the two young journalists were bathing, and that while one was endeavoring to assist the other, who had been over come by cramps, both were carried beneath the surf

Mr. Keiller was 25 years of age, was a native of Perth, Scotland, and had been educated for the law. He came o the United States four years ago, and acceptably filled the position of law reporter. He was a single man, and by his faithful attention to his work earned a livelihood

by his faithful attention to his work earned a livelihood for himself and an aged mother. He resided in Washington-piace, near Fulton-st.

Mr. Rowe was born in Barbadoes, West Indies, was 21 years of age, and those who knew him bear witness to his blameless and honorable life. He has been connected with New-York journals for several years, and was generally regarded as a painstaking, able reporter. Both he and Mr. Keiller were expert swimmers, and it must have been some unforseen circumstance that led to their death. They left Brooklyn on Monday merning on a two weeks' vacation, and the associates of Mr. Rowe in Brooklyn were reading a letter which he had written soon after his arrival, when the news of his death was received. The "Journalistic Fraternity" will meet at the Astor House at 3:30 p. m., to-morrow, to take action in regard to Mr. Rowe's death. The Maunattan Cricket Club, or which Mr. Keiller was one of the best players, has postponed indefinitely its visit to Boston.

MODIFICATION OF INSURANCE RATES.

The Board of Fire Underwriters adopted, yesterday, a new tariff for insurance upon hotels, in which occur a variety of interesting details. Sixty cents will be the minimum rate, and additional charges will

which occur a variety on the terms, and additional charges will be made in the following and in other cases:

For hights between 75 and 85 feet, 5 cents extra; for each additional 5 feet, 10 cents extra; buildings of tron rather than brick, 5 cents extra; if of stone, 10 cents extra; where copings are less than 20 inches above the roof, or less than 3 feet if exposed by adjoining property, 5 cents extra; Mansard roofs not of iron or slate or other fire-proof material, 50 cents extra; cellar and basement columns not of brick, Georgia pine, or iron with double chambers to be filled in with some non-conductor, 10 cents extra; stairways not of fre-proof material, 10 cents extra; elevators not surrounded with 12-inch brick walls from cellar to roof, and coped, and not provided with iron doors and stone or iron sills, 20 cents extra; main hallways less than 2 feet wide, and others less than 6 feet wide, 5 cents extra; floors not formed of iron beams, filled in with brick or similar material, 10 cents extra; gas-brackets not stationary and not provided with globes or wire sereens, 10 cents extra. Cases where less than five filled pails of water are provided to every space 150 feet square; where two axes are not kept in each hall; where fire alarms are not provided on each floor, and a suitable number; of lire extinguishers; and where, when the bouse accommodates 100 or more guests, a fire-organization among employés does not exist (the employés being properly drilled), 25 cents extra. Steampipes not carried in recesses lined with metal, or otherwise so protected as to be approved by Rate and Survey Committee, 25 cents extra. Where steam pumps, provided for fire purposes only, capable of throwing 400 gallons amiunte, connecten with the several floors, and provided with suitable necesses lined with metal, or otherwise so protected as to the approved by Rate and Survey Committee, 25 cents extra. Builded pails of the new tariff:

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THE COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS

The Commissioners of Accounts are still exmining the accounts of the various Departments. They are at present endeavoring to ascertain the exact amount of the city debt. The bonds that have been issued from time to time and those called in and canceled are carefully examined and noted. The canceled bonds are ex amined one by one. On a single day the Commissioners examined canceled bonds representing \$14,000,000. The Commissioners say that they are retarded The Commissioners say that they are retarded in their work by the refusal of the Controller to allow them a sufficient clerical force to aid in the work of examination. The Controller claims that under the provisions of the law creating the offices of issioners of Accounts no ciercal force is provided for. Other members of the Board of Apportionment say that the clerical force asked for could be paid from the Contingent Fund, and that payments had been made in this manner to persons appointed to perform certain

duties for which the law does not provide. DEPARTURE OF MISSIONARIES TO INDIA The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church is doing excellent work in its foreign fields, and especially in the East. The steamer Idaho, for Liverpool, yesterday took out a delegation of laborers for India, consisting of the Rev. Dr. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. McHenry, the Rev. Mr. Mansell, the Rev. J. E. Scott, Miss Monell, and Miss Lemnig. The two last named are sent out by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and will make an important addition to the force already there. This is a new feature in missionary operations, and is proving remarkably successful. Miss Moneil is a thoroughly educated physician, and goes out supplied with a full assortment of medicines and apparatus. Miss Swain, sent out several years since by paratus. Miss Swain, sent out several years since by the same Society, is now laboring as a physician and teacher in Lucknow and vieinity with great acceptance. Ladies especially have access to the homes of the people, where men are excluded, acting thus in the double capacity of medical and spiritual advisers. The Missionary Secretaries, Drs. Dashiel, Eddy, and Reid, were present, with Mrs. Skidmere of the Woman's Society, and a large company of friends, to bid them god speed on their errand of Christian evangelization.

Notwithstanding the published official announcements to the contrary, the "bears" on the stock market flooded Wall-st., yesterday, with rumors to the effect "that Commodore Vanderbilt was dangerously ill at Saratoga." These rumors were accompanied by sudden raid on the stock market by the "bears," who directed their efforts to breaking down the price of New-York Central, Lake Shore, and other Vanderbilt stocks. Dismay for a moment seized the general operators, and there was a rush to sell stocks by the timid, who thought they saw indications of a pame. Dispatches, however, were speedily sent to Saratoga, and replies received that the Commodore was in excellent health. Confidence was restored and the market, which had Confidence was restored and the market, which had materially declined, reacted again to even higher figures than prevailed before the raid of the "bears." Inding that the steadiness of the Vanderbilt stocks interfered with the depression of other stocks in which they were interested, determined to make them the object of special attack. They accordingly spread rumors of the Commodore's sickness, which frightened small operators, who behaved that the result would be disastrous, and caused them to self out. Simultaneously with the rumors they "hammered" the market with temporary success. The course of the market and the fluctuations of prices are tully described in the financial columns of The Tribune.

BROOKLYN CASUALTIES.

Thomas Venn, age 49, Peter Hanlon, age 38, and Adam McKenzie, age 52, were precipitated from the

HOME NEWS.

THERMOMETER, YESTERDAY, AT DICKINSON'S IN PARK-ROW. PROMINANT ARRIVALA

New-York Hotel—Gov. William Pinkney Whyte of Maryland... Astor House—Bishop Conroy, and the here, E. F. O'Connor of Almany, ex-Congressman William Loughridge of lows, and Capt. H. W. Howente of the Nignal Service... Everett House—Mr. Stamme, German Chargé d'Adiries at Washington, and Capt. W. Feld..., 6t. Micholas Hotel... The Hon. T. C. Platt of Owego, N. T.; the Hon. T. M. Fomeroy of Ashura, N. Y.; ex-Congressman S. N. Pettis of Pennsylvania; J. H. Devereux of Cleveland, and Judge T. Lave of Darton, Olio... Phila Joseph Andrew Mahington, Devenue Hotel—Washington, Darton, Collector of the Port of Baltimore, Gen. J. S. Kanp of Gov. Dir's staff, Jesse O. Norton of Chicago, William Mason of Taunton, Mass., and T. M. Lanshan of Baltimore... Precedent House—Joseph Price, Treasurer of the Great Weisersman, Westerney, Canada, and Gen. E. F. Winslow of St. Louis... Union Stammer Hotel—Mayor Esseman of Poughsteepie... Proceedings of the Capt. Control of Chicago, C. C. Landell, M. C. Landell, M. S. L. Melfinan, House—Indee John Hon. T. I. Chatfield of Owerlo, N. T. ... Melfinan House—Indee John Hon. C. Pottles Station of Schenectady, and Jange F. W. Bughes of Pennsylvania.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Music this afternoon at Mount Morris-square. Pilot boat D. Mitchell, No. 3, was struck by pilot boat W. H. Aspinwall, No. 21, eight miles south-cast of Sandy Hook, at 11 p. m., Tuesday, but neither vessel was much damaged.

At Castle Garden, yesterday, 921 emigrants arrived-8 by the steamer Napoli from Marseilles, 450 by the steamer Washington from Havre, and 463 by the steamer City of Montreal from Liverpool. New combinations are forming in the directory of Pacific Mail. Henry G. Stebbins was elected

a director, yesterday, in place of John M. Burk, re-signed. This is regarded as an acquisition to the "buil" party in the Board of Directors. Hermon Boskowitez has been appointed Vice-President of the Board of Trustees of the Eclectic Medi-

cal College. Mr. Boskowitez has been a liberal friend of the College, and it is believed that this identification of him with its government augurs well for the institu-The payement of Liberty-st., between Church-st, and Broadway, is in a shocking condition, the surface being in many places broken up into holes, some of which are so large as scriously to impede the passage of heavy teams. About 20 feet from Broadway is a miry slough about 10 feet square.

A suit has been begun in the United States District Court by the United States against Solomon N. Woolf, Alphonse de Riesthal, Moses Amberg, and Albert Amberg to recover \$75,000 gold, as penalty for violation of the Customs laws in alleged undervaluation of in-voices. The capies will be returnable on Aug. 23.

A few car-loads of truck and work horses arrived from the West, yesterday, and were offered at \$185 each. There are about 200 carriage horses in the market; still it would be difficult to find a superior pair, 16 hands high, among the number. It is expected that the market will be well supplied with all kinds of horses

A block of stores, 50 feet square and five stories high, is building at the south-west corner of Peck-slip and South-st. The stores will be of brick with marble trimmings. Four French flats are being completed at the north-east corner of Eighth-ave, and West Twentieth-st. They are of brick with Iron trimmings, five stories high, and the first floors will be occupied as stores. They will cost about \$95,000.

Coroner Keenan held an inquest, yesterday, in the case of Thomas Dillon, who died from the effect of injuries received by being crushed between the ferryboat Hudson City and the bridge at the Cortlandt-st. Perry, on Aug. 12. The jury rendered a verdict of acci-dental death, and recommended that proper means should be taken to prevent persons from leaving or entering the boats until they were secured to the bridge.

A letter from Consul-General Hay of Syria has just been received by the Palestine Exploration Society in this city, in which it is stated that the Society's Expedition, under the command of Lieut. Steever, went into Summer quarters at Aitat Mountain, in the mountains of Lebanon, on July 24, where it will spend the heated term in working up the maps and official reports of its work. All its members were in good health and

The Grand Lodge of the Kesher Shel Barzel resumed its session yesterday. The Grand Sopher and Grand Gisber were installed, ex-Grand Sire Gustavus Levy, the Grand Cohen, officiating. Newman Cowen, S. Feldmann, A. Ettlinger, Jacob Casper, and J. Harris were chosen an Endowment Committee. The afternoon session was occupied by the reports of the Committees on Laws, Estimates, Finance, and State of the Order, and of the grand officers.

The following were the receipts at the Conroller's office vesterday: Arrears of taxes, assess ments, water rents, and interest, \$4,579 85; assessments \$4.087 87; sale of vitrified stoneware pipe for sewers, \$1,175 90; Croton water rents and penalties, \$2.564 65; market rents and fees and market celtar rent, \$1,532 25; proceeds of sale of five condemned fire-engines and of seven condemned horses, \$1,379 15; licenses, \$153; total, \$15,472 67. for street-openings and improvements and interest,

President Chandler of the Health Department, in company with Sanitary Superintendent Day and Assistant Sanitary Superintendent Janes, inspected, vesterday, the steamship Algonquin, the vessel used as yesterday, the steamship Algonquin, the vessel used as a floating rendering factory by the New-York Fertilizing Company. The Algonquin is anchored in the North River, near the New-Jersey shore, and opposite Fortieths, in this city. The Health Officers found that the process of rendering was very offensive, and will probably advise the compulsory removal of the vessel beyond the limits of the harbor.

The Park Commissioners opened yesterday, in the presence of the Controller, bids for 550 tons of con and four months' supply of screened gravel for the parks. There were two bids for the for the latter. At a regular meeting held immediately the latter. At a regular meeting field immediately thereafter, drinking fountains were directed to be placed in the Stuyvesant Park. Bills to the following amounts were audited and directed to be sent to the Finance Department for payment: Maintenance, \$1170; construction, \$1,903.65; maintenance of bridges. \$4.38. Total, \$2,905.75. The award of a contract for iron railings on Union-square was postponed, and the meeting adjourned till 3:30 p. m. to-day.

The funeral of Mrs. Helen Rutherford Stuyvesant, wife of the late Peter Girard Stuyvesant, took place, yesterday, at St. Mark's Protestant Episcopal Church, the Rev. Dr. Rylance, the rector, and the Rev. Dr. Sherman being in the chancel. The pall-bearers were T. W. Ludlow, W. Kimball, James K. Livingston, Judge Roswell, Anthony J. Bieceker, B. H. Fields, Dr. Wilkes, B. Robinson, F. Prime, R. Lenox Kennedy, Jonathan Edwards, W. S. Popham, and Nathan Clarkson. The Hon. Hamilton Fish was one of the mourners. The remains were interred in the family vault beneath the church where lie the ashes of Peter Stuyvesant, "Capisin-General and Governor-in-Chief of Amisterdam in New-Netherlands," and descendants of the direct line who have died since 1670. Dr. Sherman being in the chancel. The pall-bearers

BROOKLYN.

Visitors at Prospect Park last week, 112,293. The city has to its credit a balance of \$3,376,280 79 in the banks, including \$456,498 10 in the Trust Company. The Police Insurance and Reward Fund amounts to \$25,498 96.

A specimen of the man-fish, or mermaid's mate as it is sometimes called, has been caught at the Fishing Banks and brought to this city for exhibition. It is four feet long, and when alive weighed fifty pounds. Its resemblance to a man is very striking.

LONG ISLAND.

LONG ISLAND CITY .- At about noon yesterday an explosion occurred in one of the tanks in the yard of Eurke's oil works, situated on the canal, at the foot of Twelfth-st. The report was heard throughout the city, and the alarm given. The engines quickly responded, but the flames were smothered before their arrival at the yard ... Yesterday morn-

responded, but the flames were smothered before their arrival at the yard....Yesterday morning, a bricklayer named John Cortier, residing in Fifty-ninthst, New-York, but employed by Contractor Woodrant in rebuilding the shede of the Standard Oil Company, was taken with violent bleeding from the nose and mouth. He was taken to the office of Dr. Dennier, who could do nothing for him, but directed that he should be taken to the station-house. On his way there he died. Acting Coroner Brown rendered a verdict that the deceased died of hemorrhage of the hungs, caused by over exertion... The Committee of the Whole of the Board of Aldermen, to which was referred the investigations of the transactions of the Water Board, met Tueeday evening and organized by electing Geo. H. Hunter, President of the Board of Aldermen, as Chairman of the Committee adjourned till 1 o'clock p. m. to-morrow.

Newrown.—The Committee of Sevanty-one meet on Tuesday evening, to consider what action to take in reference to road improvements. The southern section of the to-wijelaims that all recent improvements, in the construction of new avenues and widening and grading others, have been contined to the northern and central sections of the township, while it has been obliged to pay its full share of the great expense incurred without deriving any advantage from the improvements. The roads leading through the town from Bashwick and Williamsburgh are in a wretched condition, and almost abandoned by travel. The Committee will probably take some action which will remedy an injustice of which nearly half of the town complains... A new hotel is to be immediately erected on the shell road, near Calvary Cemetery, by the present proprictor of the Bridge House at the Penny Bridge. It is said that the new structure will be the largest and most expensive public house on the west end of Long Island, outside of Brooklyn... The daily receipts of the Receiver of Taxes average about \$\$\frac{1}{2}\$ for the taxes have been collected.

Woodside—The school troubles a

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WOODSIDE.—The school frombles at this place increase. The property levied upon by the Collector has been sold, but the victims have employed counsel, and litigation will ensue. About a year ago the district was set off by the School Commissioner, being taken about equally from the West Flushing and Laurel Hill Districts. The first sot of the trustees of the new district was to levy \$2.500 for the erection of a new school-house. The payment of the tax was resisted, and the Collector refrained from legal steps to enforce its collection. Subsequently the amount appropriated for the school-house was reduced to \$1,000, but \$1,000 was added to the levy for general school purposes, and it is these sums that the collector is now endeavoring to

collect. Several, who refuse to pay, and whose property has been seized, aver that they have been taxed for a school building within four years, though in another district, and honce are exempt from the present assessment by law. The tax amounts to about 2 per cent on the assessed valuation of the property in the district, which taken in connection with the onerous town tax, entails great inconvenience and hardship on the small landowners.

STATEN ISLAND.

RICHMOND .- At the last meeting of the County Board of Health a resolution was adopted to the effect that throwing brewers' grains on the soil or in the waters of the county should be prohibited, under a penalty of \$50 for each offense. The disposition of the refuse of the breweries, which this resolution is intended to prevent, has heretefore been a constant
cause of complaint in the neighborhood of these establishments. In some cases the refuse has been dumped
into ponds, which during the recent drouth and consequent low water became offonsive. In other cases it
has been strewn upon the ground, and has been a constant source of annoyance and discomfort to families
residing in the vicinity. Cows have been in the lattit of
feeding upon it, and in many instances have become
intoxicated in consequence. The nuisance has repeatedly been brought to the attention of the Health authorities, but no notice has before been taken of it.

New-Brighton.—The Castleton Association for Legal

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New-Brighton.—The Castleton Association for Legal Protection have sent a communication to the Board of Excise, insisting that the Board should not be satisfied with merely negative evidence of good character on the part of applicants for heense, but should require positive proof of the respectability of the dealers before allowing them to sell liquor....The willage officials have decided to discontinue the work of widening the Manor road, in consequence of some misunderstanding regarding the survey.

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EDGEWATER.—The village Aldermen succeeded in having a meeting, last evening, with eight members present, and in appointing a new Excise Committee; but another attempt to elect the ninth member was unsuccessful, the vote as usual standing 4 to 4. UPPER QUARANTINE.—There are at present twieve vessels from Southern ports at the Upper Quarantine anchorage, discharging carges into lighters.

NEW-JERSEY.

JERSEY CITY .- At the meeting of the Board f Aldermen Mayor O'Neil's veto of the Board's action n authorizing the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to ake possession of and close up Plymouth-at, east of Greene-st., was received and laid over. He asserted as his reason for so doing that the Board had no right under the charter to vacate or close any public street. The Committee on Baths and Armories reported that it

dreenest, whas received and hald over. He searches as his reason for so doing that the Board had no right under the charter to vacate or close any public street. The Committee on Baths and Armories reported that it had leased rooms at Nos. 27 and 29 Newark-ave, to be used as an armory for the National Guard at a yearly rate of \$2.20. An ordinance was passed authorizing the Erie Railway Company to bay tracks across Ninth and Tenth-sts. to connect with its milk depot. The Committee on Public Parks was authorized to procure settees for the Park grounds at a cost not to exceed \$5.00. The North Hudson County Railroad Company was ordered to remove a tarn-out in New York-ave. On motion of Alderman Tildeu, it was proposed to reseind the resolution requesting the Board of Finance to resign. The motion was lost by a vote of six to tive. Superintendent Hopkinson of the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company has been appointed Superintendent of palace and sleeping cars on the Midland Railway. The money-drawer of Freund's lager-beer saloon in First-st. was robbed of \$1.50 on Tuesday night. James Goodwin of No. 202 Madison-st. New York, who was arrested at his residence on Tuesday, by Capt. Van Riper, on a charge of burglary, was taken before Justice Keese for examination yesterday. J. P. Sutherland of No. 20 West Hamilton-place, whose house was robbed of goods valued at \$500 during the absence of himself and family on June 13, identified as his property, a quantity of goods found in the possession of the prisoner. Other persons identified him as the man who broke into J. B. Emory's bouse in Jersey-ave. a short time ago. The prisoner was committed to the Hudson County Jail to await the action of the Grand Jury. He is said to haveserved several terms in the State Prisons of various States. The new steampum erceted in Central-ave, near Manhattan-st., to supply the northern part of the city with water, was put in operation yesterday. Jainess Brown, a laborer, employed by Van Keurren & Peck, was held, yesterday, on a char

POLICE NOTES.

John McNamara and Bernard Kenny were and Browlin, last evening, for the alleged theft of a horse and wagon should at \$550, the property of James H. Tarnast of Flatbush-ave.

William Buttnell, a resident at Duffield and Ful-ton-sta. Brooklyn, while on his way home at 2:30 a. m., yesterstay, was knocked senseless by two unknown roughs and robbed of his watch and \$000 in money. He cannot describe his availants. Francis Conlan, age 13, of No. 502 East Sixteenth-st., eli against the tire of a wagon, yesteriay, and received two severe scalp counds. ... Rachet Carlemon, acr 57, was run over by a grocer's wagon, it kas Broadway, reserving, and both of her legs broken. The triver of the wagon, William Krebs, was arcested.

The Board of Police accepted, yesterday, the res-nation of Cart. Alanson S. Wilson of the Thirty-second Predict police of promother Research of the Thirty-second Predict police

ignation of Capt. Alanson S. Wilson of the Thirty second Precinct police, and promoted berreant Jacob Subert of the Tenth Precinct to the vacant post. Roundman Robert O. Webb of the Seventh Precinct was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. President Sheith and Transierer Charries were appointed a committee to confer with the Board of Apportionment, and determine whether the city treasury is in a condition to hear the expense of the salaries of 100 patrolines in addition to the present force, the State Legislature having authorized such an increase.

THE PAWNEE MASSACRE.

SIXTY OR SEVENTY PAWNEES MURDERED BY THE SIGUX-THE SIGUX ACCOUNT OF THE AFFAIR.

The massacre of a large number of Pawnee men, women, and children, on the 4th of August, while encamped between the White Man's Fork and the Republican River, according to all accounts was a cruel and premeditated affair. The Pawnees' story was published in THE TRIBUNE on Saturday, and to-day that of the Sioux is given. Capt. Auson Mills, of the 3d Cavalry, writing from Monte Platte on the 11th inat. reports that Capt. Winhold's command reached the scene of the murders about four hours after they were committed. He found between 60 and 70 bodies-all, except eight or ten, being those of women and children—horribly mutilated and scalped. This is a much smaller number than the Pawnees reported, and it may yet appear that the Sloax did not burn any of their victims. The Sionx side of the story is as fellows :

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OGALALLAR SIOUN CAMP. ?

WHITE MAN'S FORE, Aug. 5, 1873.

Col. WOODWARD, Communding Post, Sidney, Neb.
SIR: On the morning of the 21 or this month six Ogal
allah Sioux Indiana came in from a scort, and reported
the Pawnees in camp on the Rec fork of the Republican ailah Sioux Indians came in from a scout, and reported the Pawnees in camp on the Reo fork of the Republican. The news created great excitement in camp, and the Sioux decided to go and fight them before they had time to attack our camp. Lattle Wound came to me and asked if I had any orders to keep him from going to fight them. I told him I had not. He said he had orders not to go to their reservation or among the whites to fight them, but had no orders in regard to this part of the country. I told him I would go with him and see the Pawnees, but he said it would be of no use, as the young men had determined to fight, and no one could stop them. They say I prevented them from going to the Utes, and they came and stole their horses, silled one of their men, and they thought the same thing would occur if they did not strike the Pawnees first. They started out on the 3d, and were joined by the Bruies from Mr. Exist camp, and mroceeded to the Pawnee camp. On the morning of the 4th they came on a camp of about 30 lodges. They were just moving camp when the Sioux charged them. The Pawnees killed are variously estimated from 50 to 113, mostly women and children. Most of the men were absent, and the Sioux suppose they were out hunting. The Ogalallahs took seven prisoners—three women and four children, all girls, from two to 10 years old. The Indians who have the prisoners are Black Bear. Torn Belly, Mad Horse, Black Hawk, Gray Eye's son-in law. Flying Hawk, and Little Blue Shield. A white man by the name of John Williamson had charge of the Pawnees. They fought bravely, out the Sioux outnumbered them, having 500 to 600 men. This report is as near as I can get at the number of killed from the Indians. The Pawnees will know the exact number they lost. Black Bear has expressed his willingness to give up his prisoner if the Government desires if, and I think the others will undoubledly do the same. Your obedient servant, Anyolsk JAnis, In charge Southern Indians of Ogalailah Sioux Band. the same. Your obedient servant, ANTOINE JANIS, In charge Southern Indians of Ogalallah Sioux Band.

A PICKPOCKET ARRESTED. Thomas Murphy, aiias "Dublin Joe,"

pickpocket, who with an accomplice was arrested April 17, by Detective Farley, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, and who escaped from the clutches of the officer, was rearrested on Saturday in Philadelphia. Detective Parley went before the Grand Jury, on Monday, and had Murphy indicted. He then obtained a requisition from Gov. Dix and proceeded to Pafladelpuin. On Tuesday evening the officer bronget his prisoner to this city, and wort with him, yesternay, to the District Attorney's office. Murphy was committed to the Tombs.

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